

Oceans Of Sand

Three Continents—America, Europe and Africa—have Peculiar and Baffling Problems



One of the most difficult of the problems which confront modern engineers are the menacing oceans of sand which, in different parts of the world, are converting fields into deserts. What terrible ravages can be caused by a vast sea of sand is perhaps best seen in Africa, but in England to a small extent and in the United States to a serious degree, there may be found demonstrations of the sand-plague which are, to say the least, disquieting.

A grasp of sand, torn away from the granite rocks countless years ago by the great glacial drift, seems such an infinitesimal object that proverbially it is the least visible thing in the world, yet when it is united with innumerable other grains, and the whole propelled by the winds, it becomes almost impossible to stop the progress of the shifting mass. It pours down over a country slowly, relentlessly, laying waste everything buildings are undermined, roads are obliterated and its gruesome work once begun never ceases.

Desert Not Always Waste.
Egypt was not always the sandy waste the modern tourist finds it. Yet at the visitor to the Nile country makes a journey to the Sphinx he will find that remarkable piece of sculpture has been partly obscured by the sand waves which now cover upper Egypt.

The Sahara, the greatest desert in the world, was, according to the best scientific opinion, once an immense inland sea. At the time of that sea the climate in upper Africa, indeed, the whole surface of the northern part of the continent, was very different to what it now is. At present the Sahara makes the climate for the Mediterranean and Central Europe, and while this is agreeable enough, the gradual expansion of the great ocean of sand, which is by degrees lapping the valleys of Algeria, threatens to lay waste finally to the coast.

The Atlas Mountains alone appear to have held the monster in check.

Various propositions have been made concerning the African desert, and one of them, a scheme of inundation, is at most too chimerical. In effect, it would not be mischievous to desert serious attention. To stem the tide of sand in this vast ocean by ordinary means is impossible, and probably nature will be left to repair her damage in her own way.

It is the struggling vegetation on the edge of the desert which is responsible for the tardy strides of the sand. And it is from so casual a hint that successful experiments have been made with brush and grass on the North Carolina coast, where the sand-enemy has grown to be as terrible as a nightmare, only far more potent of destruction.

Inundation at Southport.
While parts of the English coast are being washed away and eaten up by the sea, other parts are being added to with rapidity. Although the inroads of sand may be nature's way of making compensation for what she has elsewhere deprived the country, the inhabitants of Southport, for instance, do not view the situation with any satisfaction.

Within the last few years some millions of tons of sand have accumulated on the shores at Southport. The wind is mainly responsible for the overwhelming character of the sand. At a recent meeting of the Southport Chamber of Commerce it was stated that unless a new channel was cut almost immediately the town would in a very few years be four miles from deep water. So far as the filling up of the channel is concerned, the blame must be put upon the sea. However, it will cost \$100,000 to dredge this new channel, and the necessity for the work is apparent. The pier at Southport is nearly a mile in length, but with deep water reaching at the present rate the pier soon will become useless.

Beach Will Be Overwhelmed.
But this is a matter of commerce. With the overwhelming of the esplanade, or seawalk, at the same place, which has been accomplished by this sand and wind in a very thorough manner, an equally serious problem is encountered. This cannot be gotten rid of by simple means as dredging in channels. The sand must be removed, and a very pretty problem it presents. In some places the magnificent, raised esplanade lies under five or six feet of sand. Not only has the wayward sand overgrown the walk, but has accumulated in dunes between the esplanade and

the sea, effectively shutting out the view.

Some imaginative geographers have affected to believe in a girdle of deserts around the world. By means of a specially drawn map this phenomena is apparent. Following a curved line it is seen that the great deserts of Asia, Africa and the lesser sandy wastes of North America seem to bear geographical relation to each other. Like Lavater's great circle of fire around the Pacific Ocean, this semi-circle of deserts at first sight is very convincing, but that it is more than a remarkable coincidence remains to be established.

Desert Leads of the West.
The Colorado Desert, at the base of the Sierra Nevada, like the Sahara, bears signs of being the bottom of an ancient sea or lake. These arid lands of the United States are found in Utah, Oregon, California, Nevada and Arizona. The Coast Mountains of British Columbia shut out from them the moisture which otherwise might be precipitated over those wastes. The lightest annual rainfall in the United States is to be found in this region, particularly in Southern Arizona.

While these desert lands are not so great in area as the Sahara, they are of sufficient size and importance to make their reclamation desirable. With this end in view, the Federal Government is spending millions in inaugurating one of the most extensive irrigation systems ever proposed. That part of the Arizona desert upon which the experiment has been tried has given most encouraging results. Contemplating the immense fields now under cultivation in some of the desert valleys the visitor finds it difficult to believe that once this was a desert of waste sands, superheated air and practically useless.

Some experiments made by Collier Cobb, professor of geology in the University of North Carolina, show what can be done to prevent damage by sand and wind. Professor Cobb selected for his experiments some of the sand dunes on the North Carolina coast, and the result of his investigation was hopeful. The investigations, however, were only experiments, naturally on a diminutive scale, but sufficiently illuminating to lead to a belief that with government aid much of the wastes on the North Carolina coast could be made to flower with the prodigality of the semi-tropics.

Along the Atlantic Coast.
During the winter the strong north winds pile the sands up into great dunes, which are moving steadily southward. "There," says Professor Cobb, "are now developed along the Currituck banks, from Virginia as far south as the Kill Devil Hills. These

wind ripples, started in sands exposed by the removal of a strip of forest near the shore, have grown in size to great sand waves, which are advancing on forests, fields and houses. As the sand wave has advanced it has taken up several feet of the loose soil over which it has passed, undermining houses, laying bare the roots of trees and exposing the bones of the dead in the cemeteries."

He relates that at Nag's Head, a large hotel, constituting a solid obstruction, held out for a while, but in a little while the sand wave built up a short distance in the rear until the level of the hotel roof was reached. Then the wave advanced and the building was engulfed. In this region the land gained on the sound 250 feet in ten years. A fishing village on the northern end of Hatteras Island was buried in the same way, and what, at the time of the Civil War was "The Great Woods" is covered by sand and not a stick shows where the island forest was.

"The checking of these moving dunes," according to Professor Cobb, "presents a problem of increasing importance, not only to the inhabitants of these sand keys, but to the navigators of the inland waterways as well, and it is of interest to know that its solution is at hand, and that the encroachment of the sand upon the land and upon the sounds may be effectually stopped."

Owing to the fortunate chance that the north winds which pile up the sand here blow only in the winter, and that the spring rains are usually of light intensity, especially on Hatteras Island, the solution of the problem is rendered comparatively easy. In 1910, Professor Cobb began his experiment. He found it a simple matter to plant grasses and shrubbery in the late winter and early spring and have them gain a firm footing before the strong winds came.

Free as Wind-Breakers.
He planted the seed of the jollyolly pine on the back of a dune and covered the seed with brush cut from a nearby road in process of making. The brush served not only to break the wind, but to conserve the moisture in the sands. Feeling, he says, from that modest beginning of 21 years ago, the progress of several years. The European plan of building a barrier dune by means of wind-breakers he says, has been tried along the coast, but always without success.

"It having been proved that the sand dunes may be conquered, it may be regarded as certain that in time human ingenuity will reclaim every large area waste in the world. In another generation, perhaps, there will not be a desert within the boundaries of the United States. When once the way to solve the problem has been shown, enterprise will probably attempt to conquer the Sahara and perchance even the great Gobi."

Proof.
"Does your husband love you?" we asked.
"And, devotedly," she answered.
"Are you quite sure?"
"Quite. How can I doubt it? He has shut me up here in this little cage of a place, where he expects me to spend all my time, with nobody's company but his own. If he does not love me, why does he take so much trouble to make me miserable?"

And there she in her fine eyes the beautiful, strong light of unbroken confidence.—Puck.

With the amateur piano thumper it seems to be all work and no play.

Courtship is the juicy grape and marriage the appendicitis.

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Political Comment

The Santiago Incident.
The clash between the police of Santiago and a number of Uncle Sam's sailors is not expected to result in serious complications. If the attack was unprovoked prompt action will no doubt be taken by the proper authorities to punish the offenders, and it, as is claimed by the Santiago people, the sailors were disorderly and defied the police, they will probably be severely reprimanded. If, indeed, they are not dismissed from the service.

The fact that men wear the uniform of the American army or navy does not absolve them from committing themselves properly, but rather should be a guarantee of their good behavior. In the case of the Santiago incident, the sailors are supposed to be the very embodiment of law and order. If they forget their duty in this regard the offense is more heinous than if committed by an ordinary citizen, not in itself, perhaps, but because of the fact that they are a part of the national defense, invested with extraordinary powers, and therefore the influence of their example has far-reaching effect.

But, on the other hand, the government will not brook any unwarranted attack on the men who wear its uniform, and if the sailors from the Tacoma were attending to their own business when they were assaulted by the police of Santiago steps will be taken to discourage a repetition of the affair. That much is necessary to preserve the dignity of, and insure respect for, this government.—Toledo Blade.

Where the Danger Lies.
The danger lies in making a hedge-podge of special tariff concessions, one for each country. If tariff concessions, either through lower valuations by the United States appraisers or by a lower tariff, are to be made at all they should be granted to every country which grants the United States the "most favored nation" clause, and against every country that seeks to discriminate against the United States this country is abundantly able to protect itself. Our exports are largely of foodstuffs, and these are necessities which other nations need. If they want them let them make such tariff rates as will admit them. If they don't there's no need of ill feeling over the matter. Foodstuffs are staples, and their market is wide.—Zanesville Courier.

The One Important Fact.
The fact of more importance than all others in connection with tariff discussions and industrial subjects, so far as this country is concerned, is that no per cent of all the goods made in American mills and factories and produced on American farms is sold direct to home consumers. It is this salient

fact that home market which deserves first and most consideration in all discussions in any way related to it. Only 5 per cent of the products of our industry are sold to consumers elsewhere. Full realization of this fact will prevent repetition of some absurd statements which have been made and some even more absurd movements which have in recent years been attempted.—Houghton (Mich.) Gazette.

Advantage Should Be With Us.
The new German tariff was constructed with a view to giving to the United States a gold brick in exchange for material concessions. The rates are placed so high that the minimum rate, as compared with what Germany asks for its goods, is a gold brick. The German interests of Germany will not permit a reasonable concession. But, happily, we are not dependent on the commercial good will of Germany, and we have all the advantages of position, and German statements are well aware of that fact.—Newark Star.

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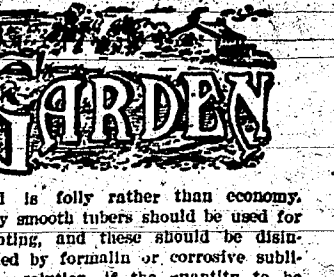
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seed is folly rather than economy. Only smooth tubers should be used for planting, and these should be disinfected by formalin or corrosive sublimate solution, if the quantity to be treated is small. If a large amount of seed is to be treated formaldehyde gas generated by the use of potassium permanganate is recommended. The chemicals required are not expensive and should be obtained of any druggist. The process is simple and inexpensive.

Working Out Weeds.
Weeds are expensive, because they not only rob the growing crops of plant food, but also deprive them of moisture. The rapid-growing weeds crowd the other plants and deprive them of warmth, light and all other essentials to growth. One advantage in the uprooting of the weeds is that they provide excellent green manure crops, but the farmer can better afford to grow something else as green material than to permit a single weed to go to seed. The vast amount of labor bestowed upon weeds every year may be valued at many millions of dollars, and yet much of this labor could be avoided if the weeds were killed when young. It is the postponement of weed killing that allows many of them to produce seeds, as their rapid growth often gives them occupancy of the land before the farmer is aware of the fact. Their eradication then requiring days instead of hours. A crop of potatoes, onions, cabbage, beets or any other that requires clean cultivation with the cultivator, harrow and hoe will greatly assist in eradicating weeds while green manure crops that are plowed under destroy them. Hungarian grass is a crop that makes vigorous growth, and it may be mowed several times during the year, thus rendering excellent service in destroying weeds, but in the garden the hoe will be found the most efficient implement that can be employed.

Saving Sweet Potatoes.
Observations made by the Puckee, Ala., station on the methods of storing sweet potatoes indicate that potatoes dug and banked after a long dry period generally kept well, while those dug and banked after and during a rainy season almost without exception kept poorly. It was also observed that if potatoes were cut or broken or the milky juice turned to a dark greenish color when dried in the air they kept poorly, but if the juice dried white and the injury showed a tendency to heal over, kept well.

Directions for harvesting and storing a crop are given. To store sweet potatoes successfully it is recommended that the plants be set out as early in the spring as late frosts permit, to house or bank the crop only when thoroughly ripe, and to avoid all injury in harvesting.

Enormous Cotton Crop.
The bureau of the census has issued its final report upon the cotton crop of the United States for the season of 1906-07, and this report gives the enormous total of 13,576,225 bales of 500 pounds each, which is 1,000,000 bales in excess of the official estimates made in December, 1906. Included in this total are 321,101 bales of lint, 57,552 bales of seed-cotton, and an estimate of 13,254 bales remaining to be ginned after March 10. The number of active ginneries is given at 28,702.

The average selling price for cotton during the past season has been good, says Harper's Weekly, and the result is an era of decided prosperity in the cotton belt, as, in addition to the sum of nearly \$100,000,000 received for the staple, must be added approximately \$144,000,000 received for cotton-seed products. Should the present indications be realized, there will be added in the near future still another item of value to this, the world's greatest crop; paper made from the cotton stalks, which are at present burned in the field.

The Age of Limit.
Good dairy cows should not be "overlaid" until they are at least 12 years old, and even after they have reached that age some continue to produce a large quantity of milk. The production of milk depends largely on the care that is taken of the animal and her natural strength. Experiments have proven that the production of milk and butter fat constantly increases until a cow is 6 years of age, when she should be at her prime as a milk producer. If she produces a somewhat better quality of milk than older cows, for the reason that as a cow becomes older she takes on weight, and the amount of fat in the milk is correspondingly decreased. A considerable portion of food is used by young animals for the formation of body tissue, and hence, therefore, require more nutriment for the production of milk than the older cows, says the Journal of Agriculture. After cows have reached the age of 7 years the amount of food required against increases. Unless the animal's digestive organs have become impaired by improper feeding, she should continue to produce milk until 12 years old, although naturally the supply will be considerably less than in her younger days.

Potato Scab.
Bulletin No. 341 of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station, now being sent out, discusses potato scab, a subject of extreme importance to potato growers.

The real cause of scab is a minute vegetable parasite which is introduced into the soil largely by means of scabby seed tubers. Once in the soil, the scab fungus may persist and be able to infect a crop even after a considerable period. Alkaline soil conditions favor, while acid soils are unfavorable to scab. Stable manure, especially

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JUNE 6

Additional Local Matter

Decoration Day.

The weather was all that could be desired, and the program as published was followed closely. Promptly at 1:30 the procession started from G. A. R. hall, headed by the Citizens Band, and a few minutes later the opera house was filled so that a large number were unable to gain admittance.

An overture by the band, prayer by Rev. Mr. Pillemer, followed by musical recitations and a flag drill, by pupils of our school, preceded the address of E. W. Frazier, which was listened to with the closest attention by the audience as were the ritual exercises of the G. A. R., and the column formed for the march to the cemetery, where the graves of our comrades and their families were decorated with flowers, carried by nearly fifty little girls, after which a mound, erected in honor of our unknown, was surrounded by the Post, Corps and ladies of the G. A. R. and the closing ritual exercises of the Post and Ladies was had and the column marched back to the hall, where a fine lunch was prepared and waiting, by the W. R. C., for all comrades and their families. Business was practically suspended during the afternoon and the general observance of the day perhaps exceeded any of the past.

He-Fired the Stick.

"I have fired the walking-stick I've carried over 40 years, on account of a sore that resisted every kind of treatment, until I tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve; that has healed the sore and made me a happy man," writes John Garrett, of North Mills, N. C. Guaranteed for Piles, Burns, etc., by L. Fournier, druggist, 25c.

Mrs. Fairbotham returned from her sad visit to Kingston, last Tuesday.

Dr. W. M. Tuller of Bowling Green, Ohio, has brought 200 augurs goats to his farm near Standish.

Bradley and Sprague have moved their market to the old P. O. building and present an inviting appearance to their customers.

The Guards of I. O. E. will serve an ice cream social at the G. A. R. hall Thursday, June 6, afternoon and evening. Ice cream and cake 10c. Coffee and sandwiches 10c.

Call at the new meat market of Bradley & Sprague for choice cuts of meats. Your patronage solicited and satisfaction guaranteed.

A new engineer appeared at the home of R. A. McPeak, on the morning of Decoration Day and everybody is happy. The congratulations of their friends continue to pour in.

Have you visited the new market on Main street opposite the Central drug store? If not you had better get acquainted with your neighbors. They can satisfy your wants in their line.

Fresh meats, courteous treatment, experienced butchers, a hearty welcome at Bradley & Sprague's new market.

We most cordially invite the citizens of Grayling to call at our new market. Let's get acquainted, perhaps it will be of advantage to us both.

BRADLEY & SPRAGUE.

F. W. Andrews, editor of the New BAZILLON, EKA, made us a pleasant fraternal call last Tuesday. His wife has been here with her brother, Prof. Bradley, for the past two weeks. Mr. Andrews returned to his home last night.

ROOSEVELT MEETS HIM.

Capt. Hartwick and the President have Five Minute Reunion.

Capt. Hartwick was in the great crowd which surrounded the president at Lansing when he got aboard in the afternoon. The captain asked an attendant to take his card to Mr. Roosevelt.

"It will do no good. The president is very busy and he's going to talk five minutes from the platform so you can see him."

"But will you not just have the card handed to him?"

The attendant hesitated, not knowing just how to classify the captain.

"Oh, well, I'll send it in; but he will not see you."

"Thank you," replied the captain. "Send for Capt. Hartwick," those near the car heard the president say when he got the card. The comrades of San Juan Hill had an earnest and most delightful reunion for five minutes. Mr. Roosevelt will never forget Capt. Hartwick—Jackson Citizen Press.

A Fortunate Texan.

Mr. E. W. Goodloe, of 107 St. Louis St., Dallas, Tex., says: "In the past year I have become acquainted with Dr. King's New Life Pills, and no laxative I ever before tried so effectively cures of malaria and biliousness. They don't grind or gripe. 25c. at L. Fournier's drug store."

Rosford Pomona.

The Rosford Pomona Grange will meet with Crawford County Grange, Saturday, June 29th at 10:30 a. m., at the G. A. R. Hall in Grayling, with the following program:

1. Open in form in fourth degree.
2. Roll call and response by all present. Our first duty to ourselves and to society.
3. Business.
4. Music by Crawford Co. Grange.
5. Address of welcome by W. M. of Crawford County Grange.
6. Response by W. M. of Rosford Pomona.
7. Remarks of W. L. of Rosford Pomona.
8. Rescission by Miss Joyce Blanchard.
9. Paper, A Modest Farm Home, by John E. Skingsly.
10. Close in form. Dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P. M.

1. Song by the Grange.
2. Address, by Mrs. Mary Robertson. Subject: "The necessity of organization."
3. Duett, by the Blanchard Sisters.
4. Should we permit the destruction of shade trees along our highways, in order to make room for electric wires, and is such destruction necessary, by O. F. Barnes.
5. Woman's part in the economy and management of the home, by Mrs. A. H. Sergeant of Markey Grange.
6. What I saw at the State Grange, by B. F. Sherman, Maple Forest.
7. Shall we pay more attention to degree work, and in what way, paper by Mrs. Sophia Carter.
8. Solo, by Mrs. Watterman, Roscommon Grange.
9. Select reading, by J. E. Bradley, of Crawford County Grange.
10. Song by Grange, "There is no Golden Harvest."

EVENING SESSION.

Open in form in fifth degree.

1. Conferring fifth degree.
 2. Reports of subordinate granges.
 3. Instruction in the unwritten work.
 4. Experience as a visiting deputy by Perry Ostrander.
- Every Grange in the district is expected to be liberally represented and secretaries of all granges will prepare a report of work done, and progress made in their respective granges during the last quarter and hand it to the secretary of Pomona. All Pomona members especially, and all fourth degree members, who can be expected to attend and help to make this an event of interest and importance second only to State Grange. Pomona members please come prepared to pay arrears as we are young yet and in need of funds.

The afternoon session will be open to the public, all who feel an interest in the work are invited to come and hear our State speaker Mrs. Mary Robertson.

P. OSTRANDER, Master.
E. L. DELEMATER, Lecturer.
J. B. CARTER, Secretary.

Program for the Grange Memorial, June 15, at 1:30 p. m.

1. Opening Song.
2. Address by the Master.
3. Floral offerings.
4. Select reading, by Mrs. Henry Funk.
5. Music.
6. Address by Rev. E. W. Frazier.
7. Music.
8. Short addresses by H. Funk, L. E. Parker and Perry Ostrander.
9. Select reading by Mrs. Annie Harrington.
10. Closing song.
11. Open to the public. All are invited to attend.

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Beaver Creek Breezes.

Miss Margaret Leece and Will Moon were married at Grayling last Tuesday, and we hear that Will is offering his farm for sale and will move to DeLancey.

Mrs. Stewart has been quite sick for several days.

Raibe Hanna has been under the doctor's care for a few days, but is reported better.

Two weeks more and school will be out.

Mrs. Dr. Montgomery has been at the big farm for several days and getting plans arranged for the summer campaign.

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I will send two bottles of Warner's White Wine of Tar free to any Minister who will send us an order for one dozen each from your dealer. For sale at Central Drug Store. Dr. C. D. Warner, Coldwater, Mich.

Card of Thanks.

For the many acts of love and kindness of the friends during the long illness and final going home of our loved one, we can only tender our sincere thanks. May your reward be in knowledge that her long period of suffering was made brighter and her final going less hard by your kindness. H. P. OLSON and Family.

Johannesburg Jottings.

The trees in the woods, and the people of our village are alike in one respect, they are slow in putting off their winter clothing, and donning their spring garments.

Mr. Walter Nelson made a business trip to Grayling on Saturday returning Monday morning. He says no place like home.

Mr. Ed. Sorenson of Grayling was in our village, on business last week. Glad to see you Ed., come again.

Fred Yale is under the physicians care, with a severe attack of pneumonia.

Miss Ethel Colbeck closed a very successful term of school last week, near Elmira, and now home enjoying her summer vacation.

Frank Atkinson who has been stenographer for the company here for a short time, left for his former residence, Detroit, on Monday last.

Eph. Braley is reported on the sick list.

Miss Mamie Colbeck came home from her school for a few days vacation last week.

Rev. A. B. Imrie, our pastor goes to Hancock, Mich., this week to attend the State Association meeting. He is on the program for a talk on missionary work in this part of the state.

The C. E. Society will conduct a song service at 7:30 next Sunday evening. Everybody invited.

Dr. H. E. Edmonds of Gaylord was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Colbeck last Sunday.

Mrs. Thos. Double, wife of our representative, accompanied by Miss E. Brennan, returned from their trip to Lansing last Saturday. They report a very pleasant time, and had the pleasure of seeing and shaking hands with President Roosevelt.

Uncle Josh didn't go to Lansing, but sent his regards to the President.

J. Shetter of Gaylord is the new man behind the counter at the company's store this week. He comes well recommended by his many friends in Gaylord.

Miss Hedwig Merz is visiting in Grayling this week.

Ralph Claggett returned from Lansing the first of the week, much improved in health. He saw and heard the President speak on the M. A. C. grounds.

Mrs. Jarvis and family, move back to their old home at Linwood, Mich., this week. They will be greatly missed in our community.

E. A. Moore, a pioneer resident of our village, will move his family to Leviston this week. They have made many friends while here, who will regret their going.

Carl Michelson and Mrs. H. Michelson of Blaney Junction were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Franklin last week.

Mrs. H. P. Hanson of Grayling came up last week to see her new nephew, and visit with the old folks.

The hum of the mosquito will not be heard in our land, unless it warns up in the near future.

Joe Colbeck returned from the upper peninsula last week, glad to get back to the best place in Michigan.

Uncle Josh.

Dr. Underhill has the frame of his house up.

Joseph Douglas is giving his house a coat of paint.

John Leece of Grayling was calling at Lovell's Wednesday.

Mrs. James McNeven and the baby were visiting at J. V. Miller last week.

Collins Dyer has 80 rods of the new road completed.

Frank Deckrow of Maple Forest, was doing business here last Friday.

Another stump puller arrived last week, this one is for C. V. Terson, the Bunce boys have charge of it.

DAN.

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Methodist Church.

Next Sunday will be Children's Day. In the morning, the pastor will preach the annual sermon on "Education," and in the evening at seven o'clock, the Sunday School will hold the children's Day Exercises.

The offerings of the day are for the educational work of the church. Everybody is invited to all the services and asked to make as liberal an offering for the important work as they can.

Teachers, school boards, and persons interested in education will be interested in the morning sermon. Subject: "Many shall run to and fro in the earth, and knowledge shall be increased."

Consumption.

My wife was troubled with weak lungs. The disease far advanced. She has taken four bottles of Warner's White Wine of Tar and is nearly well. Rev. J. B. Fly, Brooklyn Sta. Mo. For sale at Central Drug Store.

Presbyterian Church.

Sabbath, June 9th.

10:30 a. m. Children's Day, exercises by the Sunday School. Let all remember the offering at this time for Sunday School Missions.

11:30 a. m. Sabbath School.

6:30 p. m. C. E. Meeting. Beginning Sunday the C. E. Meeting and regular preaching services will be combined in one meeting, at which time the pastor will give a short address.

7:30 p. m., Wednesday evening meeting. Subject hereafter will be the study of the Sunday School Lesson.

All cordially invited to attend these services.

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No matter how humble the abode, if it be thus garnished with grace and sweetened with kindness and smiles, the heart will turn lovingly towards it from all the tumult of the world, and it will be the dearest spot beneath the circuit of the sun. And the influences of home perpetuates themselves.

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Mrs. V. H. BURKETT, Macon, Ga. Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills are sold by your druggist, who will guarantee that the first package will banish it. If it does not return your money. 25 doses, 25 cents. Never sold in bulk. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

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Local and Neighborhood News.

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All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

The "Glorious."

Let the Eagle Scream.

See the first page.

China-Lau, get it at Sorenson's.

Dairy butter South Side Market.

Sun Proof Paint, guaranteed five years.

Fishing Tackle at Fournier's.

If you have a garden, buy a Planet Junior No. 4. The Best tool made.

FOR SALE—A new bedroom suit, REV. L. PILLMEIER.

A guaranteed gold watch given away absolutely free at Hathaway's.

Highest market price paid for hides BRADLEY & SPRAGUE.

Given free, a solution to the butter question at South Side Market.

China Lac covers scratches and marks.

The lawn mowers are busy and the lawns are fine.

Shade trees are fast putting on their full livery of green, beautifying our village.

Base Ball Goods at Fournier's.

A new line of bracelets, hat pins, fobs, watches and silverware just in at Hathaway's.

Look up our subscription offers, and arrange for your next year's reading at once.

A new leader in Hathaway's watch contest. Edna Brown, Goldie Pond, Joe Brick and Sylvia Royce.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVAVALANCHE office.

There were 3,212 deaths in the state of Michigan during the month of April and 4,262 births.

Read Hathaway's ad, then hunt up your old jewelry or bring in your watch or clock to be repaired.

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Postmaster Bates' usual smile is expanded by the fact of a \$100.00 raise in his salary. Prosperity did it.

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May 23-3w A. P. W. BECKER.

Nels P. Olson helped swell the crowd at the meeting of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. at Bay City last week.

Our Carriage paint together with a little elbow grease can make a wonderful change in your buggy.

J. W. SORENSON.

Mrs. Fairbotham and Mrs. James Williams went to Kingston last Thursday, called by the sudden death of their sister-in-law, Mrs. L. J. Miller a former resident of this county.

Fishing Tackle, fresh and new at Fournier's.

What puzzles me is why those fellows who are advertising to make you rich don't take some of their own stock and quit business.

Stop and see the gold watch in Hathaway's window to be given away free. Optical work credited on watch contest.

Mrs. Holger Schmidt and Mrs. R. Lamont spent Thursday and Friday last week at Lovells, enjoying the fishing.

FOR SALE—A good six-year-old mare due to foal in July. Weight about 1400. E. L. BABBITT, Grayling, Mich.

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Base Ball Goods for Men and Boys at Fournier's.

FOR SALE—Good cutter, cart, and single harness. \$10 takes them now worth double. Address: Lock box 205 Grayling, Mich.

Adelbert Taylor attended the session of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. at Bay City, last week, as delegate from the local lodge and reports a large attendance and pleasant time.

Rev. Cunningham of Grayling and Rev. McArthur of Maple Forest began a series of meetings at the Love school house in Beaver Creek, last week, which are reported as full of interest.

No more tickets given out for free dinner sets at S. H. Co's. store after June 15. All tickets must be in by that date.

Word comes from Paris that the members of the Wellman north pole expedition are completing the preparation of the balloon America, and will shortly leave for Spitzbergen. The airship has been entirely reconstructed, has new motors and possesses a lifting power of 19,500 pounds.

Mrs. Louise B. Niles closed a seven month school near Waters last week Wednesday.

Mr. Michelson was in Lansing last Friday, and one of the few of the many thousands to meet the President.

There will be a Grange Box Social at the G. A. R. Hall, Wednesday evening, June 12. Everybody come and have a good time. Committee.

Base Ball, Sunday, June 9, at Grayling ball grounds between Grayling and Deward. Game called at 2:30. Don't miss it.

Kirkby, of Hardgrove, raffled a sewing machine at his store last week for Mrs. Altye Tompkins, Miss Lydia Sharron held the lucky number.

Mrs. Charles Jerome was in Lansing last week to visit with George, but of course took time to see the big crowd, and listen to the speeches of President Roosevelt.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Keeler went to Marshall last Friday, to stay with her father over Sunday. He is quite feeble from the effects of a paralytic stroke.

An Ohio woman is threatened with lockjaw as the result of stepping on a tack while searching her husband's pockets. Be sure and read this paragraph to your wife.

The Epworth League will hold a social at the home of Henry Trumley, Tuesday evening, June 11. A ten cent lunch will be served. Everybody come and have a good time.

The "little tots" from the 1st grade of our school, as drilled by Miss Riss, gave a flag drill at the opera house, Decoration day, with the precision of veterans. They were well nigh perfect.

The Ladies' Union of the Presbyterian church will hold their regular business meeting at the home of Mrs. Rolla Brink, Friday, June 7th, at 2 P. M. It is hoped that all members will be present.

John F. Hum with Mr. Haywood and a friend from the south measured the depth of the AuSable, Tuesday evening at Black Bend. They saved their rods and bait, and reached home near morning Wednesday. They all claim it was wet.

Eight thousand sheep arrived in Bay City from Wyoming Monday and were sent north to Whittenmore, on the D. & M. line. They belong to C. S. Pierce and Gov. Warner and are to be placed on their ranch in Ogemaw county. They were a fine lot of animals.

P. E. Brown, of Grayling, who has the contract of laying the foundation under the residence of E. A. Gaffney, is doing a fine piece of work, which shows that he is a master mechanic.

He is talking of putting a machine here for the manufacture of cement blocks and we hope he will, as it is a much needed industry. —Roscommon News.

The recitations and music by members of the school on Decoration day were appreciated by the large audience present, and the thanks of every member of Marvin Post, the W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R. are extended to them and to the lady teachers, who gave their time for the extra work of drill.

As anticipated last week, the defeat of the Dickenson anti-cigarette bill in the house has been followed by attention to the Kinnane bill in the senate, and it was brought up and passed in that body last Tuesday. It forbids sale of goods to minors under eighteen years, or to pupils or students in any school, under twenty-one years of age. The bill has passed both houses.

The Epworth League has secured the "Ideal Entertainers" for an entertainment to be given at the opera house Tuesday, June 18. These most estimable young men have been here before and have proved themselves "ideal entertainers" to all who were fortunate enough to hear them. They promise us an entirely new program and it is sure to be well worth hearing. See the bills about town.

The cold and backward spring has had a tendency to discourage business men and farmers. Spring crops are backward, many of the farmers not yet having planted corn or potatoes. The cattle have to be fed and sheltered about the same as in winter. Many farmers sold their surplus hay and are now short of feed with hay at \$18 to \$22 a ton at retail. The ground is cold and crops already are in danger of either rotting in the ground or freezing if the plants have shown their heads above the ground. Business men, particularly in some lines, are disposed to grumble, because people are still wearing their winter clothes and the weather holds back trade. However, the weather prophet says that after June 1st we can all take the flannels off the garden, which is meant to create the inference that we shall have warm weather after that date. There is no cause for gloomy forebodings by reason of weather conditions. We are promised a spring time and harvest, and it will surely come.

A schoolmaster once said to his pupils to the boy who would make the best piece of composition in five minutes on "How to Overcome Habit" he would give a prize. When the five minutes had expired, a lad of nine years stood up and said: "Well, sir, habit is hard to overcome. If you take off the first letter it does not change 'abit'. If you take off another letter you still have a 'bit' left. If you take off another, the whole of 'it' remains. If you take off another it is not totally used up, all of which goes to show if you want to get rid of a habit you must throw it off altogether."

Proceedings of the Common Council.

[OFFICIAL.]

Grayling, June 6, 1907.
Regular meeting of the Common Council, convened at the Court House, 7 P. M., President in the chair.
Present: Trustees Connine, Amidon, Petersen, Kraus and Clark.
Absent: Trustee Fournier.
Meeting called to order by the President.

Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

Moved and supported, that the report of the Finance Committee be accepted and orders drawn for the several amounts. Motion carried.

REPORT.
To the Hon. President and members of Common Council of the village of Grayling.

CHAIRMAN—Your Committee on Claims and Accounts, would recommend, that the following bills be allowed, as follows:

NAME.	CLM'D	ALLWD
1. Fred Narrin, bd rev	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00
2. H. Bates, team work	36.36	36.00
3. G. Langevin	2.00	2.00
4. N. P. Olson, wagon	6.00	6.00
5. F. C. Jennings labor	2.48	2.48
6. Ed. Wainwright	15.63	15.63
7. Geo. Biggs	11.55	11.55
8. Louis Lamott	14.03	14.03
9. C. P. Robinson	18.38	18.38
10. J. F. Hum, bd rev	4.00	4.00
11. Chas. Clark	4.00	4.00
12. Cam. Gra. Co. g	1906 97.09	97.09
13. " " " "	1907 11.30	11.30
14. " " " "	14.60	14.60
15. Gray, Elec. Co., May	63.40	63.40
16. M. C. R. R. freight	69.09	69.09

[Signed] R. D. CONNINE, H. PETERSEN, A. KRAUS, Committee.

Moved and supported, that the request of the committee on Fourth of July celebration, relative to decorations to be made by the council, be granted, and Trustees Amidon, Petersen and Connine be appointed as a committee, to look after the same, said trustees being appointed by the president. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the petition of Nels P. Buck, relative to raising the walk abutting Lot 1, block 7, on Michigan Avenue, be granted, and the same to be performed under the supervision of the committee on streets. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the bid of Charles Howland for building concrete sidewalks, and crosswalks, for the season of 1907 be accepted, walks to be built under specification on file with the clerk. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the clerk notify Chas. Howland to furnish a bond of \$1,000.00, for the building of concrete sidewalks, and crosswalks, said bond to be approved by the council. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the report of the committee on sidewalks be accepted, and that they be instructed to move the cement walks therein mentioned, built, with crosswalks to connect. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the council adjourn. Motion prevailed.

H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

Remarkable Rescue.

That truth is stranger than fiction, has once more been demonstrated in the little town of Redora, Tenn., the residence of C. V. Pepper. He writes "I was in bed, entirely disabled with hemorrhages of the lungs and throat. Doctors failed to help me, and all hope had fled when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. Then instant relief came. The coughing soon ceased, the bleeding diminished rapidly, and in three weeks I was able to go to work." Guaranteed for coughs and colds. 50c. and \$1.00 at L. Fournier's drug store. Trial bottle free.

Entire force of teachers for next year secured by our School Board are as follows:

Supt.—J. E. Bradley.
Principal—Miss Edith Bell.
Assistant Principal—Miss Beatrice O'Callaghan.

8th grade—Miss Amy Irving.
7th grade—Miss Laura Simpson.
6th grade—Miss Winifred Baker.
5th grade—Miss Lois Moore.
4th grade—Alveretta E. Irving.
3rd grade—Gertrude N. Hoyt.
2nd grade—Miss Gladys MacFarland.
1st grade—Miss Josephine Russell.

The department of music and drawing by special teacher will be discontinued.

The better lessons that come to us through the observance of Memorial Day are not those connected with memories of battlefields or the issues of the awful war to which they relate. National eulogy and patriotic appeal serve a helpful purpose, but to the individual citizen their value is not the highest. Reverence and gratitude—reverence for proper authority, for that which is sacred, for all that is worthy; the gratitude to all who have contributed to the things we enjoy and have assisted in making possible the results and the conditions of which we are so proud and sometimes so boastful.

Detroit Live Stock Market.

Prime steers and heifers,	\$4.60-5.50.
Handy butchers cattle,	\$4.00-4.50.
Common,	\$2.75-3.75.
Canners' cows,	\$1.25-2.25.
Stockers and feeders,	\$2.75-4.25.
Milk cows,	\$3.50-5.00.
Calves,	\$4.00-7.75.
Prime lambs,	\$8.00-8.10.
Mixed lambs,	\$6.50-7.50.
Culls,	\$2.50-3.50.
Prime medium hogs,	\$6.20-6.25.
Yokers,	\$6.20-6.25.
Pigs,	\$6.25-6.30.
Roughs,	\$5.00-5.55.
Stags 1/2 off.	
Cripples,	\$1 per cwt. off.

The Best Laxative for Children.

Parents should see to it that their children have no return, easy movement of the bowels, as they are so powerful in effect, and literally tear the bowels and irritate the system. The best laxative for children is the one that is gentle and does not cause pain. It is the one that is the most reliable and the one that is the most effective. It is the one that is the most popular and the one that is the most widely used. It is the one that is the most trusted and the one that is the most respected. It is the one that is the most loved and the one that is the most cherished. It is the one that is the most valued and the one that is the most treasured. It is the one that is the most precious and the one that is the most priceless. It is the one that is the most beautiful and the one that is the most sublime. It is the one that is the most perfect and the one that is the most complete. It is the one that is the most excellent and the one that is the most superior. 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Popular Pulpit

FIFTY-AND-PATRIOTISM.

By Henry F. Cope.
"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee."—Ps. cxxii, 6.

The remainder of the days when men laid down their lives for their land thrills our hearts with a new appreciation of our privileges and a larger, deeper love of country. No land is worth much until it has cost much. Without the shedding of blood no patriotism is born, and by no other means can a soil be consecrated to a people.

The man in whom there awakens no response to the call of patriotism, who does not love one land above all others because it is his own land, cannot love any land at all, cannot enter into full living, for love for one's country and service for her welfare are part of the soul and substance of every true life. Living or a city or a nation is religious service. It is moonshine for men to talk of loving heaven unless they can love this earth and labor to make it heavenly. Such sentimentalism usually stands for simple evasion, of known duty to the present by dreaming of duty to an indefinite future. The important thing is not that you should go up to the city of God but that it should come down to you.

Patriotism, after all, simply is living for and working for others, those who constitute the State or nation. It enlarges the love from the self center to the full social circumference. It teaches to love the neighbor as oneself. It is together imperfect and often perilous until it includes those high religious motives of altruism, service and reverence for noble ideals and immortals. It always has seemed so easy to pray, "Thy Kingdom come," and then to wait for it to drop like a bomb from the sky that we have forgotten that every such prayer waits for the endorsement of our endeavor to bring it all that kingdom means to us within reach of all our fellows now, that no man really believes in that ideal kingdom who does not seek to make it immediately real. The best memorial that can be offered for the sacrifice and service of days long past is sacrifice and service for some worthy purpose to-day. Religion and patriotism become one motive, compelling us to willingness to pay the full price of citizenship. There is no better way to honor the dead than honorably to live for the things for which they died.

We hear no thrilling call to arms; we feel no tidal wave of martial enthusiasm. There is no call for those who will live. It is all the same, dying on the field of fighting for the right in the ward or city; the patriot is giving his life to his land. The dying or the keeping a whole skin are incidental; the essential thing is that we give ourselves.

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REAL PROSPERITY.

By Rev. Russell H. Conwell, D. D.
Text: "And the Lord blessed the house of Obadiah; and all that he had."—I. Chronicles xiii, 14.

Some people think they are prosperous when they inherit a great amount of money—a terrible thing. You are sincere when you say you are glad you do not inherit millions of dollars. Think what you might have been if you had inherited all these great fortunes; you, too, might have been attending some beer garden every night; you, too, might have been carried home drunk by your valet; you, too, might have been moral idiots if you had been millionaires' sons. They thought it was prosperity to inherit money; thought it was prosperity to get millions; thought it was prosperity to become half insane through drink and vice things of earth; thought it was prosperity to follow the society of the degraded. Oh, the degraded rich of America! The degenerate men and women, made so by their money, are a shame to our civilization, a disgrace to our nation, a blot upon the Christianity of our land. Let the time come when a man with money or a man without money shall have even justice, whether he be a millionaire's son or the son of the poorest man in the world. Let him have justice with mercy. Christianity cries out for it. This indulgence of the rich, because they can buy judges or influence judges or because they can hire the false witnesses or because they can win favors from the sheriffs and police; this indulgence of the inherited rich is the disgrace of our land.

Riches without righteousness are no more of true prosperity. Learning and goodness are, oh, the things that sweep into my mind as I think how God is letting His curses fall upon those who have power for good and

refuse to use it for the good of humanity. They cannot prosper. And so when the Ark of God came into the home of Obadiah, and he prospered in all that he did, it was simply the coming in of that revelation of himself. So that we must study Obadiah to find out what was prosperity. God led him to search himself, and when he did, he found that true prosperity was very far from the achievements of earth in which we often think there is prosperity. It was in the condition of the heart; it was in the soul; it was in the liberty of the mind, it was in the disposition to appreciate and worship God. There was his prosperity. The man who really loves God, who limits his desires to the law of God; the man that is full of the best things of earth and heaven, his only ambition is to prosper in those ways that are pure and right and holy in God's sight.

HEAVENLY CITIZENSHIP.

By Rev. M. M. Davis.
Text: "Our citizenship is in Heaven."—Phil. iii, 20.

Our privileges are not always appreciated. Many are like the man with a palace for a home and yet he perishes by living in some dark and dingy shed devoid of every pleasure essential to a true home. And others claim that since their citizenship is in Heaven there are no obligations to earth in government, and they refuse to vote, to love this earth and labor to make it heavenly. Such sentimentalism usually stands for simple evasion, of known duty to the present by dreaming of duty to an indefinite future. The important thing is not that you should go up to the city of God but that it should come down to you.

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WOLVES BIERED IN WISCONSIN.

Animals Not Hunted, Multiply and Spread Over Northern Michigan.
"All the efforts of Michigan authorities to rid the upper peninsula of wolves through the high bounties will prove fruitless unless Wisconsin co-operates in the movement," said E. H. Nelson of Marquette. "The scalps of nineteen wolf cubs were brought to Marquette by two Indians a few days ago. All the bounty received was \$2 from the State and \$1 from the county for each scalp making a total in all of \$114. And there are counties in Wisconsin that offer no reward whatever for the scalps of either old wolves or cubs, and all that the hunter-leader can do would secure on the cubs would be the \$2 State bounty. It is utterly ridiculous to expect men to give time and labor to wolf hunting for such pitiful inducements. Suppose the Michigan bounty is raised to \$75 or even \$100 a scalp. Now is that going to depopulate the upper peninsula of wolves while they are being bled by hundreds across the Wisconsin line?"

APPRAY MAY END IN MURDER.

Marion Pottery, Detroit, Absolut.
A serious stabby affray which may result in murder occurred at Vanderbilt. Pottery, Shanks of Bay City, is the victim. Shanks, who is a member of the road-train crew, was asleep in his bunk on the train, which was lying on the sidetrack at Vanderbilt. Marion Pottery, another member of the crew, who has been out on a spree, came through the car, sleeping and disturbing the men who were asleep. Shanks resisted the intrusion and threatened to throw Pottery out if he did not behave. One word brought on another till they began to fight. Pottery drew a knife and slashed Shanks' arm and inflicted several serious body wounds. He was immediately arrested. Pottery is a Detroit man and has served a previous term in the Detroit house of correction for larceny. He is 24 years old.

TWO KILLED IN COLLISION.

Trolley Cars in Crash Near Muskegon and Motorcars Lose Lives.
Two men lost their lives in a head-on collision of the Grand Rapids, Grand Haven and Muskegon Interurban line at Coler's farm, a few miles east of Muskegon. The interurban is a single-track road operated under a telephone-dispatching system. The road passengers are left Muskegon for Grand Rapids at its usual time, shortly after 5 o'clock. At Coler's farm it met a west-bound baggage and express car, heading west. The cars were wrecked and the two men, who were in the narrow vestibule, suffered the full force of the crash.

ADVENTISTS TO PLAINWELL.

Conference to Remove from Otsego to New Future.
It has been decided to move the central office of the Western-Michigan conference of the Adventist church to Plainwell, Mich. The necessary arrangements have been completed. Possibly a manufacturing establishment, church and school may be erected later. Elder A. G. Hinchey is president of the conference and will be in charge of the office in Plainwell.

DYING FROM OSSIFICATION.

Michigan Farmer Unable to Move.
Carsonville, Mich., a farmer was dying from ossification. His joints are now solid; his bones are his eyes are drooping, so that only by supreme effort can he raise them. Three years ago McNaughton was stricken with rheumatism and tuberculosis of the bones followed. He is unable to move a single joint and eat only liquid food.

DIES NEAR GIRL'S HOME.

Alfred Sweet, Adrian Farmer, Suffered from Carbolic Acid.
Alfred Sweet, a farm laborer, died near his home. He was found lying on the ground, having drunk two ounces of carbolic acid. He was found lying on the ground, having drunk two ounces of carbolic acid. He was found lying on the ground, having drunk two ounces of carbolic acid.

BLOWS OFF TOP OF HEAD.

Lenawee County Lad Dies Struck by Tractor.
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Boy Meets Frightful Death.

Drawn into the coils of the running gear, Jay Knight was instantly killed and ground to pieces at the cement factory at Marquette. His body was so frightfully crushed the machinery had to be taken to pieces before the mangled remains could be extricated. One arm and one hand could not be found.

Ex-Senator Patton Dead.

John Patton, ex-United States Senator and a Republican leader, died at his home in Grand Rapids after a lingering illness following an attack of pneumonia early in the winter. Mr. Patton was born in Curvesville, Pa., Oct. 23, 1850. He came to Grand Rapids in 1878 after having been graduated from Yale and law in 1875 and taken course in the Columbia law school. Mr. Patton was appointed United States Senator from Michigan in 1894 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Stockbridge.

City Willing to Help.

To encourage the building of concrete sidewalks, there has been enacted in Marquette an ordinance by the terms of which the city agrees to pay six cents per square foot in each case where cement composition is laid. This is 50 per cent of the estimated cost.

Child Drowns in Water Fall.

A young child was drowned in a water fall. The child was playing near the water fall and fell in. The child was found floating in the water. The child was found floating in the water. The child was found floating in the water.

FEVERETT TO BE EVANGELIST.

Richard Bank Robber Says It's the Good Life for Him.
"No more of prison life for me after I complete my sentence at Marquette. I am going to be a good man and live a Christian life from this time on." This is what Frank Everett, alias "Whitey" Black, Richard bank robber and pal of John Dillinger, says after a release from Jackson, Mich., at the station in Kalamazoo while on his way back to Marquette prison. He was arrested at Garrett, Ind. "I have lived a respectable life and have been converted to the Christian faith since I escaped from prison last July," he continued. "It is possible that after I complete my sentence, which runs five years, that I will take up evangelical work and preach the terrible past that I have lived. I see the folly of it all now and I shall never again enter into criminal operations of any kind. The thing that caused me to change my mind and look for good in Christianity, was the fact that after I escaped I saw people all around me enjoying life free from all trouble while I was a hounded criminal."

COMPACT IN DIAL TRAGEDY.

Former Druggist of Kalamazoo Ends Lives of Mother and Self.
William McKie, a seventeen-year-old druggist, who disappeared from Kalamazoo recently, is found, had gone to his former home in Bright, Ohio, where, with chloroform, he had murdered his mother, Jeanie McKie, 71, and then committed suicide. On Sunday neighbors found the body of McKie on the kitchen floor with a half-filled bottle of chloroform in his hand. The body of his mother was in a bedroom. As uncle of McKie says there is no doubt the tragedy is the result of a compact between mother and son. Dr. W. H. Scott thinks that McKie, an account of financial difficulties and fear of insanity, planned the double tragedy and the mother agreed. McKie, when he left Kalamazoo, took all his private correspondence and several groups of pictures containing a photograph of himself. McKie was vice president of a mining company and had invested and induced his friends to invest in shares of stock in the company. This brought about financial difficulties.

KILLS SELF WITH GAS.

Helena Subot, Kalamazoo, Commits Suicide at Baltimore.
Miss Helena Subot, aged 27, the only daughter of Mrs. Julia H. Subot and one of the leading society young women of Kalamazoo, committed suicide in Baltimore, while suffering from melancholia. After having married an Englishman, she came to the United States and lived in that city, she attached a rubber tube to a gas jet turned on and expired. Miss Subot had been a patient at the Sheppard Hospital, Baltimore, at Towson, near Baltimore, disappearing from there on Saturday. She reached the hotel later in the day, registering as Miss Anna. Her father, Mr. Subot, of Kalamazoo, was notified and a number of years ago. She was one of the leading social figures in Michigan.

AFTER MILE OF PENNIES.

Plainwell N. Y. P. U. Members Start a Unique Campaign.
In an effort to secure a sale of pennies with which to partially compensate the Baptist church, the N. Y. P. U. of Plainwell has started a unique campaign. The society has been divided into two sections of twenty members each and one of them started the ball rolling by leaving a mercantile establishment a cent and other carnival features. Now Plainwell is threatened by the deluge of pennies, dimes, nickels, quarters and half dollars, sent in by the members, who are also having circulating four pennies which hold sixteen pennies.

OLD SOLDIER KILLED BY TRAIN.

Dudley Mills, 75, Walks to His Death on M. C. Tracks.
Dudley Mills, aged 75 years, a veteran of the Civil War, was killed by a Michigan Central passenger train at Kalamazoo. He was very deaf and as he walked on the track did not hear the train approaching from the east. A few minutes after being run over he was found dead. Mr. Mills was born in Kalamazoo and had lived there nearly all his life. He was a member of Company I, Fourth Michigan, which took part in the battle of "Jaffa" Davis. A widow, Mrs. Gibbs, lives here.

Dies on Way to Work.

Andrew Johnson of Ewen was found dead on the road near Holt. Johnson, with his partner, had lived to work on the railroad. Johnson was sick and his partner went to procure aid. On his return he found Johnson dead. Deceased was 50 years old and single. On the same day Martin Maker found the dead body of an unknown man near Keaton.

Gets \$5,400 for Arm.

William Scarlett was given a verdict of \$5,400 from John Hurstburg, culminating a \$100,000 damage suit which has been pending in Circuit Court in Marquette for the last two years. Scarlett alleged that he was attacked by Hurstburg near the city limits, and that he received permanent injuries. It was necessary to amputate his left arm.

Minor State Items.

Members of Detroit Street Railway Employees' Association emphasized their demands for a uniform wage of 28 cents an hour and time while waiting for "trippers" by voting 1,002 to 237 in favor of a strike. The matter will be placed in the hands of International President W. D. Mahon.

John Burke, Capitalist, and one of the most prominent men of Kalamazoo, while going through the Arcade building at 10 o'clock at night fell sixteen feet into the cellar. The right hip is broken and he is in a critical condition.

An unusually pitiful case of desertion is reported in the disappearance of William Loutzenhizer, an attaché of the Tostand-Corn Plakes Co. in Battle Creek. His wife, once a beautiful girl, has locomotor ataxia and was left absolutely helpless, save for a baby girl who was finally able to find an aunt. There is much sentiment against Loutzenhizer.

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MICHIGAN LAWMAKERS

Make Changes in Policies.

The House the other day considered and passed eleven bills prepared by Insurance Commissioner Barry governing reforms needed for a closer supervision of insurance companies. Many of them have been adopted by other States as a result of the exposures in the New York insurance cases. The fact that the bills were passed with only such amendments as were asked by the insurance department is a tribute to Commissioner Barry, whose work has been of the highest order. Following is a summary of the bills:

Committee of Fifteen Bill (that being a committee appointed at a general conference of the governors of the several States, establishing standard provisions and conditions to be included in the insurance policies with accounting at the end of the fifth year.

Prohibiting misrepresentation through any agent, insurance, or otherwise, of any sort, in the advertising of any policy or the dividends or shares of surplus to be received thereon or the use of any title misrepresenting the terms of any policy or the dividends or shares of surplus to be received thereon or the use of any title misrepresenting the terms of the policy.

Prohibiting the payment of any salary or compensation in excess of \$3,000 per year to any officer or director of any insurance company, except as to renewal commissions to agents.

Taking the person who solicits an application for life insurance, the agent of the company and not of the assured. Requiring an itemized voucher for every dollar of commission received by an agent, and providing that every policy shall contain the entire contract between the parties, including the anti-assignment and anti-creditor law. Providing that all contracts of assignment, or reassignment, between fraternal, benevolent, or insurance companies, shall be subject to the approval of the insurance commissioner, and that no such contract shall be valid unless it has been approved by the insurance commissioner.

Amending the provisions of the law governing life and marine insurance companies by substituting therefor the provisions of the law governing life insurance companies, and providing that the law governing life insurance companies shall apply to marine insurance companies.

Attaching a penalty clause to the provision which fixes the charge to be made for the filing of records and papers, and providing that the same shall be those of the banking department. All revenue under this law shall be returned into the general fund of the State.

Primary Bill a Dead One.

The primary bill is dead so far as the present Legislature is concerned. It has been once defeated and aside from the question of whether the Lieutenant Governor had any right to vote on the motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill failed to pass there are sixteen votes against the measure in its present form. The bill was introduced by Senator Wilson, and it is probable that it will be introduced again in the next Legislature.

Taxation of Inheritance.

Senator Crockett's bill, amending the law for the taxation of inheritances went through without trouble. It makes many new provisions. Interest is figured in the same manner as in the case of the proceeds of a life insurance policy. The bill also provides for the collection of the tax brought in the name of the people of the State. Specific details are required as to location of property, description, names, etc., and methods of court procedure. The clear market value of the transfer of a money legacy, presently taxable, shall be taken as the true value of the money at the date of the death of the decedent.

Now It's Soldiers' Home.

Representative Morris has introduced a bill to amend the law of control of the Soldiers' Home to give an annual accounting of the financial past year. The inmates of the home are only allowed to keep \$12 a month of their pension money, the balance being retained by the board and used as it sees fit. It is claimed that \$15,000 was used from this fund to help erect a new building, and that no accounting is ever rendered.

Adjourn 12 and 25.

June 12 and 25 are the probable dates for adjournment of the Legislature. These dates were fixed by the Senate and they are agreeable to the House leaders, who are convinced that all necessary matters can be wound up by that time. It will mean a rush in the House, as a number of appropriation bills have yet to be passed on. There are only a few general bills of real importance unfinished.

Demand for Roosevelt Again.

The State Senate has passed a resolution demanding that President Roosevelt be selected for a second office term. The resolution was introduced by Senator James Kinnane of Kalamazoo and went through without opposition except for a quiet suggestion by Senator Fuller that a national convention was the proper place for such a resolution.

Mines May Secure Big Timber Tracts.

By a unanimous vote the Senate passed the following amendment to the mining law: "Every corporation organized and existing under this act shall have power to purchase, hold and convey all such lands and interests in the purposes of the corporation shall require." The object of the bill is to permit mining companies to use as much timber land as they desire, and was strongly urged for the reason that timber is becoming scarce in the State, and steps must be taken for reforesting large tracts.

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TELLS RAIL POLICY.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS FOR FAIR PLAY.

In Indianapolis speech He Gives Warning to Persons of Wealth and Cautions People Against Demagogues—Publicity as Remedy.

President Roosevelt spoke frankly, earnestly and vigorously on the railroad situation at the unveiling of the Lawton statue at Indianapolis on Memorial Day. He demanded:

First—Entire federal control of all railroads, whether engaged in interstate or in local commerce.

Second—That the federal government shall control the amount of capital invested in a road and the issuance of stocks and bonds.

Third—That railroad lawyers keep out of politics and that they register as lobbyists when they appear before Legislatures.

Fourth—That railroads shall be prevented from doing anything else than a transportation business.

Fifth—That criminal prosecution be instituted against any man who plunders others by issuing great masses of securities and sells them for fraudulent or solid interest instead of applying the money so acquired to the legitimate use of the road on whose property the securities were issued.

Sixth—That the honest railroad manager, whose aim is to maintain a high standard of efficiency in his road and seek an honest and legitimate return on the money invested, be protected.

Seventh—That railroads be allowed to acquire connecting lines, but forbidden to combine with parallel lines.

Eighth—That there be public traffic agreements in the interest of the people, subject to the approval of the interstate commerce commission.

Ninth—That there be physical valuation of railroad properties, such valuation not to be retrospective and provided securities to be issued by the laws under which they were issued.

"There can be no swerving from the course that has been pursued in the legislation actually enacted and in the proposals in which I have asked for further legislation," said the President.

"We best serve the interests of the honest railway men when we announce that we will follow out precisely this course. It is the course of real, of ultimate conservatism. There will be no half in the forward movement toward a full development of this policy; and those who wish us to take a step backward or to stand still, if their wishes were realized, would find that they had invited an outbreak of the very radicalism they fear. There must be progress in legislative and administrative action for the correction of the evils which every sincere man must admit to have existed in railroad management in the past."

WILSON TALKS TO FARMERS.

Secretary Exploits Results of Agricultural Education.
Speeches by President Roosevelt and Secretary of Agriculture Wilson were among the features of the celebration at Lansing, Mich., of the fiftyth anniversary of the Michigan Agricultural college.

Preceding the introduction of President Roosevelt, Secretary Wilson delivered an address in which he summarized the results of the work of his department and pointed out the improvements that have been effected in agricultural pursuits. He said:

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Prof. Terwilliger's Lecture on Mind

"The mind is a marvelous thing," said Prof. Zachariah Terwilliger to his class in psychology. "Let us today consider one point—that process expressed in the good, old homely phrase, 'making up one's mind.'"

"A problem comes up for solution, let us say. Or, to give yet greater directness to the matter, let me cite a present, personal fact, condition."

"I am on the threshold of an important decision. What I determine to do may have a grave bearing upon my whole future."

"Let us examine my mental processes, taking from the study such lessons as we may."

"First I ponder over the matter carefully. I look at it in its every aspect, turning it round and round, so to speak; examining it searchingly in all lights, from all angles."

"By the subtle, indefinable processes of reasoning I arrive at a certain conclusion; perhaps it would be better to say that I receive certain strong impressions. For I happen to be gifted with an unusually open mind."

"Then as a man of discretion it behooves me to secure counsel; to let other minds see this issue intimately and to allow whatever resulting impressions there may be to become duly arranged, orderly fashion, set forth and exposed."

"I listen carefully to these judgments, noting zealously each person's individual bias, the so-called 'personal equation,' in order to make proper allowance in each case."

"Then I assort and, as it were, catalogue these several outside opinions. I range them alongside my own half-formulated one."

"I then step apart psychically and view the whole array as the connoisseur in an art gallery might view and observe a group of correlated paintings."

"Having, as I modestly beg to claim, a singularly plastic though notably individual and strong mind, I am able to thus project what the Theosophists might call my astral shape. I am able even to place myself momentarily in the attitude, the personality of Brown, Jones, Smith and Robinson and to view my own impressions and my own status as they might view them."

"This young gentleman, is an especially valuable and illuminative exercise. I urge you to cultivate the faculty or seek to create it in yourselves."

"Finally I return to propria persona and, having surveyed to the best of my ability the subject, I decide, my mind is made up, irrevocably."

"No stress, no threats, no duress could alter the decision."

"No pleading, no cajolery, no urging could modify it."

"For next to moderation and open mindedness, let me impress upon you, there is nothing so valuable as firmness. I may, indeed, err, but I will follow that course, for I have by this intricate and painstaking process arrived at the absolute conclusion—that it is best."

"As I intimated, the illustration has been taken from actuality. I have just come to my unalterable decision. What I have determined upon shall unequivocally take place."

"As a further object of study, I give you leave to note the results."

"The students departed much impressed."

"A little later the professor, yet in a glow of agreeable self-satisfaction, sought his home."

"Mrs. Terwilliger met him at the door."

"Zachariah," she said, "have you come to a decision on that matter?"

"Yes, my dear; I have thought it over most carefully and have decided to say 'no.'"

"Really! There was a touch of irony in the good lady's tone that the professor did not altogether like."

"Well, I've thought it over, too, and I've decided that you must accept. It would be nonsense to say 'Mrs. Terwilliger's aspect was ominous.'"

"Very well, my dear," interjected the professor, quickly and meekly. "All right, do not let us have any words. Of course I shall accept, of course."

"Too Rich to Travel."

Camille Van Cresentenbergh, his wife and four children were marooned in Aberdeen all night because of the fact that they had too much money."

Van Cresentenbergh, who is said to be a wealthy merchant of Detroit, Mich., had been visiting with his family at Ipswich, S. D. They came here to take a train for Detroit. In payment for their tickets Van Cresentenbergh tendered the station agent a \$1,000 bill. The agent could not change the bill, nor could any one in town be found with money enough to break the bill. As a consequence the family were compelled to remain in Aberdeen all night and to await the opening of the banks next morning before they could pursue their journey. Aberdeen Correspondence St. Paul Dispatch.

Born in Him.

The little son of the lawyer had finished working an elaborate sum on the blackboard, and, after the usual detailed explanation of the operation, he concluded with: "Therefore the answer is 2,645." "And can you prove it?" asked the teacher. The boy looked wise.

"Prove it? Yes, ma'am. I will subpoena the entire class as witnesses, but I must request a postponement for ten days in order to prepare my defense."

LAND PATENTS OF INTEREST.

Signatures of Two of the Early Presidents on Them.

W. K. McCall of the Franklin County State bank of Ottawa, who is somewhat of a gatherer of relics, has three land patents which are pretty interesting considering that the signatures of two of the early presidents of the United States are contained in two of them, says the Kansas City Journal.

Two of the instruments are patents of land in the northwest territory. One of them is to land in Belmont county, Ohio, and the other to land in Jefferson county, Jonathan Pickering received a track of land in the first named county. The patent was signed on June 23, 1826, by President Adams. The signature reads simply "J. Q. Adams."

The other patent was made to William Johnson, and was signed by James Madison, president of the United States, on July 20, 1812. The third instrument gives a tract of land in La Salle county, Illinois, to James Caldwell. The patent was signed by J. K. Stephens, secretary to President Polk, for the president, on December 1, 1840. The instruments are made of sheepskin. They were gathered by the father of Mr. McCall.

A HOUSE OF MARBLE CHIPS.

Remarkable Patchwork Palace Going Up in Macon, Ga.

The patchwork palace being built by Dr. W. W. Billingslea in Macon, Ga., has reached the second story in many respects this will be the most unique dwelling house in Macon. It was something over a year ago when Dr. Billingslea conceived the idea of building a house with the chips from the marble used in building the new federal building in this city. It was to be his own house, planned and built by himself, after his own ideas, so he drew the plans, and in April started work. He made arrangements with the contractors at the government building to cart away all the chips and broken marble. With day laborers he mixed the cement and marble and up grew the walls. The house is commodious. There is to be a steel-and-cement roof, with roof garden, and the elevator will run from the basement. With the exception of the day labor, Dr. Billingslea has done all the work on the house. Up to date the material, labor, and every expense amounts to less than \$1,000, and he expects to complete the building for less than \$1,500.

Complimented.

A few weeks ago a Philadelphia man was in a North Carolina town of very few inhabitants. One day when he was on the point of making a purchase he discovered that he had exhausted his small change. The shopkeeper could not "break" the \$10 bill offered him, and the northern man went out in the main street to see how he might solve the difficulty. He asked several persons, but still on one he had the requisite amount for the bill. At last an old, white-haired, grumpy negro came along. In sheer desperation the Philadelphia man said:

"Uncle, can you change a \$10 bill for me?"

"Uncle" looked dazed for the moment. Then his shuffling figure straightened. With a doffing of the hat and a bow worthy of Chesterfield, he replied with dignity:

"No, marse, I can't change no \$10 bill; but I done 'preciates the compliment jes' the same, sah."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Diplomacy.

"Listen," said the girl as the woman came in from the party at three o'clock in the morning and stood at the head of her bed. "Do you hear her sob, the woman above?" She has been sobbing like that for an hour. Now, listen to his big, gruff voice storming at her.

"I'll put a stop to that," the woman declared, as she hurried out of the flat on up stairs.

"Well," said the girl, when she had come down again, "what did you do? Threaten him with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Wives?"

"Not at all," said the woman, "I simply ran to his bell and asked him if there was something I could do for his wife. 'Wasn't she ill?' We could hear her crying beneath in our bed room, I told him. He thanked me and said there was nothing I could do; but you don't hear any more sobbing, do you?"

Had Ambitions.

Secretary Shaw, searching for the hidden things in the lives of his hundreds of clerks, had blanks sent around the treasury asking each clerk to give his vital statistics. One line requested an answer to the question: "Are you suffering from any disease?"

When the blanks came in it was found that one man said he had tuberculosis. Secretary Shaw sent for him. He came in, a big, broad-shouldered negro messenger, who looked healthy enough to live 50 years.

"Why," said the secretary, "you haven't got tuberculosis!"

"Ain't I?" asked the negro.

"No you haven't. You are perfectly healthy. Why did you write on this blank that you have tuberculosis?"

"Well," said the messenger, "I dunno; 'cep'n' if there's anythin' fashionable goin' round I want it."

Something Like It.

"I asked the boss to supplement my salary to-day."

"Did he do it?"

"Not a cent, he said 'No.'"

"Sort of comic supplement, eh?"

THE LIFE OF SERVICE.

Merciful Sentence That Was Passed Upon Man by the Creator.

It was a merciful sentence which the Creator passed upon man for his disobedience. "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread;" for to the punishment itself he stands indebted for health, strength, and all the enjoyment of life. And, though, the ground was pronounced cursed for his disobedience, yet is that curse so ordered to be the punishment, chiefly and almost solely of those who, by intemperance or sloth, inflict it upon themselves. The stoutest, thickest, sturdiest of us, who stand on the stormy sea of life, and whose tempers rage and long, hard winters reign, the muscles are seen most fully developed in the brawny arm that plies the blacksmith's hammer. Even so, the most vigorous and healthy piety is that which is the busiest, which has its hands full of good works, which has neither time nor room for evil; but, aiming at great things both for God and man, promptly and summarily dismisses temptation with Nehemiah's answer, "I have a great work to do; therefore, I cannot come down."—Montreal Herald.

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The Glass Eye Crop.

The glass eye crop comes from Thuringia. As Newfoundlanders are fishermen, or as Cubans are tobacco growers, so the typical Thuringian is a maker of glass eyes. Almost every Thuringian is a glass eye maker. They have four men sit at a table, each with a glass eye before him, and the eyes are blown from plates and molded into shape by hand. The colors are traced in with small needles, and, as no set rule is observed in the coloring, no two eyes are exactly alike. Sometimes a one-eyed man or woman comes, maybe, from a great distance, sits before one of these Thuringian tables, posing for a glass eye, and the Thuringian, with his glass eye and his needle, looks up at his sitter and then down at his work, and altogether the scene suggests a portrait painter at work in his studio.

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—James Whitcomb Riley.

And still the freak and unseasonable weather continues. It snowed at an early hour this morning, but the people of this vicinity did not get the worst of it, as in western New York, six inches of it fell, as in a regular mid-winter storm.

Snow at this time of the year in this region, while not unheard of, is still somewhat of a rare occurrence, and many were the expressions heard about town this morning relative to the bad form displayed by the weather. Snow has been known in this region in June, and some of the old wisecracks say they have seen it in July, and would not be surprised if it would snow as late as this year.

The snow this morning was accompanied by a temperature of 33 above. At Buffalo it was 28 above this morning, and killing frost prevailed. It is expected that a temperature of 28 or 29 above will be recorded in the city tonight, accompanied by a killing frost. Fair weather and slightly warmer temperature is due for tomorrow, but it will be cold enough for wraps.

Farmers are not getting along very well with their planting, owing to the cold and none of them have sown any oats as yet. No corn has been planted to speak of and few potatoes are in the ground, many of the farmers not yet having plowed all of their ground. Sometimes it happens that a short season produces the best crops, but unless something happens in the weather line very soon, the farmers will have a hard time of it this summer and fall. It is one of the most backward springs ever experienced in this region.

Ten Cents on a Dollar.

Swiss hotel keepers are trying to arrange a 10 per cent. scale of tips. They complain that the scale of gratuities has risen greatly owing to the reckless generosity of Americans. If they can reduce it to ten per cent. well and good; but if they wish to keep Americans from giving more, they must first employ a class of servants who expect no more from Americans than from other guests.

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